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Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 21, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Final Office Action was originally due on September 21, 2004. Applicants are hereby filing a Three Month Petition for Extension of Time thereby extending the due date to December 21, 2004. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, Applicant is filing with this request a submission comprising a response to the outstanding Final Office Action with amended claims and the required fee. Accordingly, this request and submission are timely filed. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the finality of the Office Action and entry and consideration of this submission.